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Public invited to provide input on Black Pot Beach Park Master Plan

HANALEI – The Department of Parks and Recreation is seeking public input on the draft master plan for Black Pot Beach Park, which will be available online at noon on Feb. 17. The public is encouraged to visit the virtual open house at www.blackpotplan.com to walk through the 3D meeting room, learn about the planning process, download a copy of the draft report, and submit comments.

The master plan outlines a general framework for physical improvements at Black Pot Beach

Park over the next 20-plus years. The planning process to shape the master plan started in 2015 and was

delayed while the park was closed and facilities were being rebuilt to recover from the catastrophic

flood event of April 2018.

The master plan respects the traditions and values of the Hanalei community and focuses on physical improvements that enrich the quality of existing park uses and facilities. Recommendations in the draft master plan were developed from ideas gathered during meetings and outreach activities.

They include new parking and drop-off areas, a second comfort station and shower, adding a second boat ramp for fishermen with improvements and boat trailer parking, an open-air pavilion, storage for county and canoe club use, and new signage, landscaping, and utility system upgrades.

Due to COVID-19 limitations on public gatherings, the virtual open house platform is essential for a community meeting. Written comments on the draft plan are being accepted until March 21, 2021. Comments should include your name and physical address and can be submitted online through

the plan's virtual open house portal www.blackpotplan.com; via email to planblackpotbeachpark@hhf.com; or by postal mail to HHF Planners, ATTN: Black Pot Plan, 733 Bishop Street, Suite 2590, Honolulu, HI 96813.

Comments received by the March 21 deadline will be used to refine the final plan. Upon completion of the final master plan, the plan will be presented to the Kaua'i County Council.

If you need an auxiliary aid/service or other accommodation due to a disability, contact Nancy McMahon via email, nmcmahon@kauai.gov, or contact HHF Planners at 808-457-3168 or via email planblackpotbeachpark@hhf.com as soon as possible. Requests made as early as possible will allow adequate time to fulfill your request. Upon request, this notice is available in alternate formats such as large print, Braille, or electronic copy.

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